

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI):

(a) and (b) There is no immediate proposal to amend the Right to Information Act, 2005.

Draft of Public Service Bill, 2006

†947. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have prepared draft of Public Service Bill, 2006;

(b) if so, the details of the prominent provisions included in this document; and

(c) the time by when this Bill is likely to be introduced in the Parliament to get it passed by the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI):

(a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The Government has drafted a Public Services Bill, 2006 which would provide a statutory basis for the regulation of Public Services in India, review and lay down the fundamental values of Public Services, the Public Service Code of Ethics, Public Service Management Code, Protection of Whistleblowers, Recruitment Code governing the Public Services and establish the Public Services Authority for facilitating review and proper development of public services as a professional, merit based & accountable instrument for promoting good governance and better delivery of services to the Citizens.

The draft Bill has been circulated to all the State Governments, Ministries/ Departments of the Government of India, etc., for obtaining their comments/views and has also been put in the Government of India Portal to obtain views/comments from general public. However, no time frame has been fixed for its introduction in the Parliament.

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